





## Baptist Record

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## Editorial.

### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Col. Ed. Richardson died suddenly in Jackson the night of the 10th.

Our mission work is still doing well. We are steadily improving. —A. P. Scofield.

May the Record show the best record this year of any year since its existence. —O. D. Bowen.

Friends must be a little patient, as we are now in the confusion of moving. It will require a week or two to get straight.

In Kansas 75 per cent. of indictments brought in for violating the prohibition law resulted in convictions.

We regret to hear that Pastor S. W. Sibley, in jumping from a buggy, as the horse was running away, broke his leg. He is doing well.

Brother J. C. Foster's post office is Edinburg, Leake Co., instead of Kosciusko. His correspondents will please make a special note of this note.

The Baptist Record comes out under the new management in new dress and form being now an eight page paper. It is decidedly a good paper and we wish it great success.

Rev. Reuben Jones, D. D., of Chatham, Norfolk county, Va., died December 19, in his seventy-eighth year. We make thereof with heartfelt sympathy. —Christian Index.

We are working as never before. We are making a forward move on the enemy throughout our field, with gratifying results. —W. D. Power, Salisbury, Md.

Brother Watson thinks he can make out the time of the coming of Christ, but we do not believe he can. We could tell him why, but it would not change him.

The effort to consolidate the Texas papers seems well. The Herald explains that it is not an account of differences, but prospective differences. We are sorry.

We note the marriage, on Dec. 30, of Rev. Harvey Hatcher, of the Christian Index, and Miss Mary E. Myers, of Pattersonville, Mo. —Rev. John P. Green officiating. The Record extends congratulations.

We lately took a delightful meal at the Ladies' Exchange, of Jackson. This lady in charge informed us that some passer-by because she did not serve wine. That fact should be a recommendation to all good people.

The Kosciusko Star brings news from Miss Estlin Byrd to Prof. Long. We congratulate the Professor on his success in winning the heart and hand of a cultivated Christian woman. May this Byrd Long make music in their home.

Our school is receiving additions almost daily. Two more young ministers have entered and others are expected. I am contemplating the purchase and fitting up a home for our young ministers, by which their expenses will be greatly reduced. —W. M. Reese.

I love the Record and pray God that it may be yet more powerful in disseminating truth. —R. A. Cooper.

Thank you, brothers, we appreciate your words, good wishes, and your prayers on behalf of the paper.

There is a most gracious work going on in Cuba, under the leadership of brother Diaz. Hundreds have been converted and await baptism. The spirit of liberty, civil and religious, is abroad in the island. It is a great field for Southern Baptists, and one which we should speedily enter with a large force.

What clever people Baptists are. Our Brother Wm. Thomas of Lexington has bought a nice residence and presented it to his church as a parsonage. And Brother A. E. Pugh will take up the work there which fell from the dying hands of our good Brother Allen. We are glad to welcome Brother Pugh back to our state.

We recently spent a Sabbath with the Winona Saints. Our business was to get a collection for missions. They let us preach for them twice, but Judge Williamson never mind the collection, we will bring up our apportion, you may look for it in four or five days, and it was on time. We like that. Why do not all the churches do likewise?

More than 200 names have been registered in Mississippi College this session, and a large proportion of them are ministers. The expenses of the Board of Ministerial Education are under the heavy load. Up to this time all demands have been met, but unless the churches send forward contributions, serious consequences must ensue. Brethren, now is the time to act.

The Reform Jews recently held a Convention and put forth a declaration of principles, wherein are some things worthy of note. They recognize the One God, and the Bible as "the most potent instrument of moral and religious instruction." The ritualistic part of Judaism is rejected. The standard of religion is human reason. The resurrection is rejected. The hope of returning to Palestine is abandoned and Christianity and Mohammedanism are recognized as daughter religions and allies to Judaism.

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Now when such as this is written about a brother we love specially, by a brother specially beloved, well, it's interesting reading, and the many Mississippi friends of that noble pair will join the Record in wishing them a glorious year's work for Jesus.

We quote, second-hand from the Watchman, this written by Frost: "I don't think there ever was a time when newspaper lying was so general and so mean as at present, and there never was a country under the sun where it flourishes as it does in this. The falsehoods daily spread by the papers in our newspapers, which they are proud of, the mental anguish of those caught in the newspaper web, the loss of honor and respect, the loss of money, the loss of life, the loss of soul, the loss of all that is dear to us, are all too common. And here is the common of the New York Sun on the letter: 'All Mr. Cleveland states the facts correctly, not only the newspaper press, but the entire state of degradation that the people themselves are lost to a sense of truth and honor, for the newspapers reflect the moral sentiment of the communities in which they are published, since only thus can they gain the support upon which their existence depends. If American newspapers love a lie rather than the truth, the American people prefer the false to the true, and they have sunk into a moral abyss. The newspapers would not give them lies if they did not desire lies and did not wish them.'"

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I have sold an interest in the Baptist Record to Elder L. S. Foster, who becomes associated with me in its editorial and business management. The work has grown to demand an increase of the force. Brother Foster is not a stranger to our readers. He holds a facile pen, is a sound theologian and a good scholar, having graduated in the full course from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He is, with all, a practical printer, and thereby better prepared to have the oversight of the office.

Our new associate is fully in sympathy with all the benevolent objects of the denomination, so that there will be no change in the policy of the paper. With increased force we will press forward along the old lines. With increasing years, I have a profounder love for the old doctrines of the denomination and less fellowship for the novelties in doctrine and practice which so delight some modern teachers. In this, Brother Foster and myself are in full fellowship. The Record will be found standing in the old ways and defending the old faith.

Mrs. Gambrell will have special charge of the home department, and will aim constantly to do the home folks good. Besides this, she will edit a temperance department and aid otherwise in making the paper useful. It is not too much to say that without her help in the past the paper could hardly have gone on at times.

Now with a stronger force to work, it is our united wish and determination to make the paper still more a help to every good cause and a welcome visitor in thousands of Baptist families.

J. B. GAMBRELL.

Rev. L. C. Kells leaves Beaumont, Texas, to take charge of the Fifth Ward church at Houston, Texas. In ordering Record changed he writes, "I declined a unanimous call at Beaumont, and I did it with much regret, but I acted from a sense of duty. The Lord prospered his work here last year far beyond our most sanguine expectations. I am now ready, much as I love this dear people, to leave him and work for Him in another field."

The Promotion Executive Committee had a meeting in Jackson last week to arrange a plan of action. A local option bill



of the members of his church, and of their coming, and its object, neither he nor his lady had the slightest inkling. They stormed him unawares, and each of the storming party brought with them a new present. As many as a hundred presents were given them, a list of which we failed to get.

After reaching the residence, the Rev. H. D. White, in a few appropriate remarks, made known the object of the visit, and then followed the presentation of the individual gifts of each member. The reverend gentleman and his wife were speechless with gratitude for this kind remembrance of them by the members of his church. All present were made happy in the knowledge of the fact that the pastor and his lady deserved all they had given them. A happier occasion never occurred in our city.

In conclusion, I will say, our church and pastor are encouraged to pray earnestly for and to expect greater blessings in the future. Dear brethren, in other parts of the Master's vineyard, rejoice with us, and pray for us, that we may prove steadfast.

H. D. WHITE.  
The Baptist, Miss. Jan. 1, 1886.

**Baptists of Louisiana Read This**  
BAPTIST GENERAL MEETING.  
To be held at Lebanon, La., commencing on Tuesday night, February 10th, 1886, at which time the introductory sermon will be preached by Rev. Dr. Penick, of New Orleans. The committee appointed by the Ministers' Institute of Louisiana College have requested the following brethren to write on the subjects attached to their names.

1. The desecration in our State, and how to supply it.—Hon. W. H. JACKSON, D. D.  
2. How to develop the Mission Spirit in our churches.—Rev. J. W. MOORE.  
3. A visit to a sister church in Mississippi.—Rev. C. W. TUCKER.  
4. How to organize our church work.—Rev. A. P. SCOTTFIELD.  
5. What can the sisters do?—Rev. S. LAURENCE, D. D.  
6. The Bible method of giving.—Rev. W. H. HARRIS, D. D.  
7. The relation of the pastor and the church to the Sunday School.—Rev. W. S. PENICK, D. D.  
8. The model pastor.—Rev. J. P. EVERETT.  
9. The relation of education to Christianity.—W. S. COPELAND.  
10. The relation of Mr. Lebanon to the Baptists of Louisiana.—Rev. E. C. CONROY.  
11. The publication of a Baptist paper in Louisiana.—Rev. S. C. DODD.

G. M. HARRILL,  
W. M. REESE,  
Committee.

The church at Mt. Lebanon, by unanimous vote, extends a cordial invitation to the Baptists of Louisiana and adjacent states to attend this meeting. Ample provisions will be made for the entertainment of all who may attend. Come, let us rejoice in grace. Send your names to W. M. REESE, pastor, Mt. Lebanon, La.

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**Columb's Miss.**

Report of my labors under God since August 1st to January 1st. I have held meetings at the following places, Good Hope, Spring Hill, Charleston, Garner, Harp, Ashland, Water Valley and Jackson Tenn. In these meetings 365 have professed Christ, and 271 have united with our churches. The brethren and sisters at these places have given me a tree with offering \$865, besides about \$20 worth of presents. I have taken no collections, not made my wants known to anyone, but trust the Lord for all.

I have calls for meetings now from 1st of March for several months. Pray that I may yet be used of God and kept very humble.

B. N. HATCH.

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**Program**  
Of the Ministers, Deacons and Laymen's Union of Fair River Association.

To convene with the Western Baptist church, Saturday before the 6th Sabbath in January, 1886.

1. Family Worship.—Sam Silbey and R. J. Bonn.

2. What should be the chief aim of the Sunday-school, and how shall that aim be attained?—B. T. Hobbs, Con. Sumner and J. J. Green.

3. The best method of raising money for benevolent purposes.—Clark, Maxwell and C. R. Dale.

4. Woman's Work.—E. P. Douglass and A. Page.

5. Church Development.—Capt. J. J. Bird and J. R. Farish.

6. The visible results of Prohibition.—W. H. Bailey, C. T. Brocken, I. H. Anding.

7. What is embraced in the words Faith and Saints as they occur in the 3d verse of the Epistle of Jude, and when was this faith delivered?—J. R. Farish, E. D. Jass.

H. D. WHITE,  
S. MORRIS,  
R. H. PURSER,  
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**Farwell Services.—Christmas Presents.—Church Progress.**

Tuesday night, Dec. 29, by previous arrangement, we held special farwell services in the Baptist church here, in respect to Brother and Sister David. By invitation, brethren Buck and Vane, of Macon, Bozeman, of Meridian, and Noffsinger, of West Point, were present, and gave us some very interesting addresses on subjects appropriate to the occasion. These were interspersed with suitable songs, and followed by some very practical remarks from Bro David,

an old lady who, with her daughter-in-law, had walked 18 miles to church. Buildings are generally constructed of sun dried brick in that section of the country.

Chinese women do not get greasy until they reach the age of about 70. The Chinese have great reverence for old age, far more so than the people of America do. They are much surprised at Americans in this regard.

Dr. Graves says that in their missionary tours, Mrs. G's grey hairs are a great protection to the party. The people who attain the age of ninety and upward are objects of worship.

Dr. Graves' health is much improved. His physicians recommend that he work only two hours per day. Because of rush of work this is difficult to do.

FROM AFRICA.  
Brother P. A. Eubanks writes that Brother C. E. Smith is spending most of his time in trying to learn the language. He preaches about three times per month. He is doing right.

The first thing the missionary ought to do, is to sit down and master the language. Brother Eubanks has been in Africa three years and has never preached in the language of the people yet. He hopes, however, to be able to preach soon.

Parents have a craving desire to see their children in the High School, and consequently they leave them advanced to that position when they are altogether unprepared.

The high schools, as a result, are very unsatisfactory.

With regard to polygamy, Dr. Boyce said he wrote to Africa some time ago, taking the position that the New Testament recognized that private members should, under certain circumstances, retain their right in joining the church, but were to be divorced from their official position in the church.

A LETTER FROM BROTHER J. E. MOORE.  
The native African is not so demoralized in religious worship as the colored people of America. They are very quiet and at the same time very sympathetic. They manifested the greatest interest and sympathy on the death of Sister David.

The hindrances to the work in Africa are (1) the climate, (2) the prejudice of the people arising from the opium traffic.

Brother J. W. Stewart, of Alabama, read an essay on the obstacles and difficulties to missionary work in China.

Several were mentioned, but the principal one was believed to be the prejudice of the people arising from the opium traffic.

The field editor of the Western Recorder, Brother Cabaniss, thought the great difficulty in the conversion of the people in the Far East was that they are far above the foreign barbarians. They think with regard to our instructing them very much as we would think of some Indians starting out as missionaries among us.

Men in China graduate at all ages of life. One was mentioned who got his diploma in his sixteenth year. Some have produced their diplomas at the age of 70.

Moral: "Young men, you are not 60 years old yet."

Dr. Broadus, interrupting, said: "I move that the Faculty put Brother Cabaniss on the back."

Dr. T. T. Eaton said our great success, notwithstanding difficulties, should encourage us. The missionaries have learned a very important lesson, that is, that they ought not to try to Americanize the Chinese converts. The Jews thought the Gentiles had to become Jews before they could be Christians. It is well that our missionaries are not making a similar mistake.

Very few if any students leave this institution without being earnest advocates of Foreign Missions.

L. P. TROTTER.  
That State-wide Ministers' Conference.

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**THE LAST OF THE LINE.** By L. Bates. 12mo., 318 pp. Price \$1.25. Philadelphia: American Baptist Publication Society.

This is a picture of labor in a church that was located in a poor and unfashionable quarter of one of our cities.

Who, who is the last of the line, who throw themselves heartily into the work; they find some efficient helpers, among whom is a lame young seamstress, who is a real power for good. The narrative is very interesting, and suggestive of means of promoting the true work of a church, even in what may seem to be an unfavorable location.

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**DIED.**

L. J. Hilburn, a minister of faithful zeal and unwavering adherence to truth and sound doctrine, died on the 6th of December, 1885, having been born July 3rd, 1842. He was ordained to the ministry in 1870.

His uniform, calm and ardent attachment of all who knew him, speaks more than pen can tell in his praise. We tender our sympathy to his bereaved family.

W. F. A. SHER.

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